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"WHY ORGANIZED S S. WORK."

International General Secretary Marion Lawrance's Address Before Rome Delegates at Boston.

I am not a doctor, but since our Chairman has introduced me as one I will endeavor to live up to the profession and tell you the highest duty a doctor can perform. A doctor renders his best services when he renders his services un-

necessary.

For the few minutes I have tonight I desire to represent as well as I may the magnificent committee of ninety-six men, known as the International Executive Committe, presided over by your greatly beloved and distinguished townsman, beloved wherever Sunday-Schools are loved, W. N. Hartshorn, of Boston, and containing in its membership one man from every State, Province, Territory and County in and belonging to North America, including the Islands of Hawaii, whose representative is in this audience tonight. This committee has a great purpose. Not one member receives any remuneration whatever, as the Lesson Committee receives no remuneration, but serves simply for the love of the work and with the principle, "The love of Christ constraineth me." This and this alone is the motive power behind it all, and the purpose is as distinct as the daylight.

I would like to represent the Executive Committee tonight as an archer, ready with a great good bow and with a quiver full of arrows; every arrow to be shot at the bull's eye of the target, and every arrow with a name. Every one of these arrows is pointed with truth and feathered with love. May I draw a few of these arrows out of the quiver and give you

their names.

First, there is the arrow of Co-operation. We desire to shoot that arrow into the very farthest part of our great field, and it has gone there. In the second place, we have the arrow of House Visitation. When this arrow reaches the mark, no man can say that "No man careth for my soul." Again we have the arrow of Stimulation, the arrow of Education, the arrow of Evangelization, the arrow that is marked, "Get the Last One," the arrow

that is marked, "More Sunday-Schools," the arrow that is marked, "Bigger Sunday schools," the arrow that is marked, "Better Sunday-schools." Then we have the arrow that is marked "The Right Kind of Lessons, adapted to all ages, the arrow that is marked "Supplemental Lessons," that they may learn more than what is prescribed by our Lesson Committee, choice as it is. There is another arrow marked "Intelligent Bible Study"; another arrow marked "The Adult Department"; another arrow marked "Organized Classes"; another arrow marked "The Home Department," the father of which is in the audience tonight; another arrow that is marked "The Cradle Roll," and still another that is to be shot after all the others, right into the bull's eye of our target, the arrow of "Salvation," which stands for the saving of all the scholars and bringing into the church all the members of the Sunday-school, We believe that all of our Sunday-schools should teach first of all toward Jesus Christ, and then toward the church to which the Sunday-school belongs

Our organization does not stand in any way for organic union. It stands for cooperation, not competition. There are the arrows of "Ideal Building," of "Suitable Equipment," of "Proper Recognition": the arrows of "Decision Day, Rally Day and Installation Day." Then we pull out the arrow of "Temperance," of "Good Citizenship," and of "Missionary Instruction." We pull out of our quiver the arrow of "Systematic Giving," the arrow of "Fraternity," the arrow of "Fellowship," and the arrow of "Goodwill." It is the purpose of this great committee to shoot these arrows into the very bull's-eye of the target, and they use always and ever the same good bow, and that bow is "Organized Sunday-school

work."

Friends, there is no other agency or agencies that will place these arrows, and all the others in the quiver, where they ought to be so quickly, so cheaply, and so effectively as "Organized Sunday school Work," through its fifteen thousand Sunday School Conventions every year, held in every corner of our land. That is the why of "Organized Sunday-school Work."

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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

One of Malthie Babcock's verses for the New Year was Phil. 4:6.-"In nothing be anxious: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." The old version read, "Be careful for nothing." Careful means full of unnecessary care—crossing rivers before we reach them-worrving.

This is a good word for all our Island Sunday Schools. If we are inclined to grow discouraged because the work of the Schools does not seem to progress as fast as we would wish, let us remember that we are to take no anxious thought. This does not mean that we are to take no deep, prayerful thought. Too long this all important work has received little or no intelligent thought. "In nothing be anxious" "but, be ve doers of the word and not hearers only."

"But in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Does not that all inclusive word "in everything" put us to shame? That means there is nothing about which we can not pray. May the year 1908 be characterized in all of our schools as a year of prayer. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." One more word in this New Vear's text must be noticed—"With thanksgiving." Did you ever think how much our Sunday Schools have, for which to be thankful?

Let that gratitude enter our pravers as we pray for greater mercies than our beloved Islands have vet known. "Anxious for nothing, Prayerful for everything, Thankful for anything," is the HAWAHAN Youth's New Year's wish for all of its friends.

WANTED: YOUR FINANCIAL come to the work in Hawaii at a SUPPORT.

Have you taken the trouble to send in your name and subscription to the HAWAHAN YOUTH? We think possibly you have not. Perhaps · the smallness of the subscription price-25 cents-has caused you to overlook this important duty and privilege. Now this is unfortunate for the Youth, which needs 500 paid-up subscribers before it can be admitted through the mails as second-class matter.

We think our many friends of the Sunday School work in the Islands will realize the situation, and will promptly come to the rescue. It was a great pleasure to receive last week a list of forty subscribers from one Sunday School. If all our schools were as energetic as this one, our way would be made easier. No one realizes better than ourselves how limited is our English speaking field, hence the necessity for everyone helping.

The YouTH is your magazine. If it is not all you would like to see it, help us to make it such. It's a great work!

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 22, 1907. To the Editor of the HAWAIIAN YOUTH:

Dear Brother Turner: - Please accept my heartiest congratulations upon the youngest of the growing

time of great importance. Sunday School has just begun to realize the greatness of its mission -in my faith the greatest department of service for every church of whatever name or creed. "Whatever you would have appear in the life of the next generation must be incorporated in the child life of todav."

This is an unquestioned law of human progress and is especially true of moral and religious principles. How fast changes come, however! It is only a few years ago that Mrs. Merritt and I were teaching the youth of Hawaii, but for years they have been among the social, business, and some of them the political leaders of the Islands.

The great work of secular and religious education is to successively and progressively stamp upon the life and character of each generation the loftiest ideals for their highest achievements. Make of the HAWAIIAN YOUTH a very herald of righteousness and Christlike attainment to every boy and girl of Hawaii nei.

> Very cordially yours, W. C. MERRITT.

The Sunday School of the Makawao Foreign Church.

The spiritual life of any church family of state papers representing can be measured largely by the life the organized Sunday School work, of its Sunday School. If a church -HAWAIIAN YOUTH. In appear- has learned the great lesson of serance, in spirit, in contents he is vice, it has a live Sunday School; the peer of all the family. He has if it has never learned this lesson, it is well on its way towards its own ber of the Congregation not othergrave.

The Sunday School of the Maka- in this class. wao Foreign Church shows some The aim of the school is: signs of life, although it is far from "Every member present every Sunday, that state of perfection which is on time, with his own Bible, a liberal always to be our aim. Under the offering, a studied lesson and a mind to efficient leadership of D. B. Mur-learn." doch, its Superintendent, and under The School has recently begun the quiet inspiration of the Church's the use of Marion Lawrance's Open-Pastor Emeritus, Dr. E. G. Beck- ing and Closing Exercises, which it with, who, though over four score finds very helpful and inspiring. vears of age, is rarely absent, the The Supplemental Bible Drill school is in a healthy condition, consists in learning the Books of The aim of the school is not so the Bible with their groups and in much quantity, for it can never memorizing the choicest portions of hope to be a large school, as it is Scripture. Thirty unbroken minquality. This school, under Mrs. utes are given to the study of the F. M. Simpson, was one of the first lesson. Each class has a blank book. in the Islands to introduce the in which is posted each week a pic-Cradle Roll. This department has ture, illustrating the lesson. The a large membership.

ment—finds twelve or more little ceeding lesson. This book will form people present every Sunday, with a neat and interesting basis for a Mrs. Bowen as teacher. Award quarterly review. cards for attendance are being used The classes have also been using to good purpose. Miss Louise Pratt with success a series of "Look Up has a large class in the Junior De-Questions" published by D. C. Cook partment while in the Intermediate & Co. These questions are distriband Senior Departments there are uted a week in advance, and tend four well filled classes with Mrs. D. to arouse interest with the scholars. C. Lindsay, Mrs. W. D. McConkey, 'The Superintendent's Review of the Miss Olive Steele and D. B. Mur-Lesson has been simplified and doch as teachers. The presence of made interesting by the use of a thirty of the older Maunaolu Semi- Chalk Talk Design, also published nary girls help to swell these class- by Cook & Co. es as well as to add enthusiasm to The Makawao Foreign Church is the whole school. For some years set upon a hill. May the light of a well attended Bible Class has its Sunday School be shed abroad been maintained among the Adults. over the whole Island of Maui. The different members of this class alternate as teachers. Every mem-

wise in Sunday School ought to be

scholars take this book home alter-The Beginners—Primary Depart- nately and write a story of the pre-

OUR FRONTISPIECE.

We are glad to acknowledge our indebtedness to "The Ohio Sunday School Worker," through its Editor, Rev. Joseph Clark, D. D., for the use of our frontispiece, "An Eventide Sunday in Child Nature." Such a sweet little girl with her Teddy and bottle, certainly makes an attractive study.

THE LESSONS FOR 1908.

The year 1908 has six months' studies in John's Gospel and six months' in "The United Kingdom." An important book in the New Testament and a brilliant period in the old.

KAUAI NOTES.

Mr. Lydgate's plan of distributing Sunday School instruction to teachers at various points on the Island is meeting with much favor. Once a month he imparts such instruction in Hawaiian at Hanapepe, Lihue and Kilauea. Large classes avail themselves of the privilege.

The Lihue Sunday School is erecting a commodious and comfortable building specially for the primary classes. The School is in a very flourishing condition owing very largely to the interest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rice and family.

Mr. W. H. Rice, President of the Sunday School Association has been making a tour of Kauai in the interest of the work. He was accompanied by Mr. David Kapahee of Koloa.

is called to the use of cloth black and undertaker."

boards. They can be bought by the yard and are very convenient and inexpensive.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS THE WORLD AROUND

is the title of the official report of the World's Fifth Sunday School Convention held in Rome, May, 1907. It is a book consisting of 350 pages, profusely illustrated, cloth bound and costing one dollar.

It will contain: Boston's Reception and Meeting; "Romanic" and "Neckar" story; sketch of the Convention; Fac-simile of President Roosevelt's letter: The Convention Addresses, including Dr. F. B. Meyer, Dr. Campbell Morgan, Bishop Hartzell and Rev. Dr. J. Gordon Gray of Rome. There will be reports from 27 countries, the Coliseum Meeting; the World's Sunday School statistics and a list of delegates with other features. Every Sunday School library ought to own a copy. The book may be ordered from The Sunday School Times, Philadelphia. Price \$1.00.

President David Starr Jordan, of Leland Stanford University, after many years experience, says: "Boys who smoke cigarettes are like wormy apples. They drop long before harvest time. They rarely make failures in after life because they do not have any after life. The boy who begins smoking before his fifteenth year never enters in the life of the world. When the other boys are taking hold of the world's work The attention of Sunday Schools he is concerned with the sexton

FOR THE YOUNGER READERS.

CATCHING THE LEADER OF unto the top of a high hill. THE GANG.

yer hat, mister?"

"All right! Fire away!"

other. The man's bowed form straightened; his face, lined a moment before with anxious thought, glowed genially. The broad, mischievous grin on the boy's face spread into open-eved incredulity as he stared. The handful of gravel dropped.

waitin,' Tom?"

that ter w'ack at ev'ry day!"

lips curled scornfully. "Think I'd was not thwarted, because this serwaste me powder on a tame buck vant was found "ready to co-operlike that?"

man, lifting his silk hat with court- sorbed though he was in mentally ly gravity as he passed.

off!" said Tom abruptly. "Meet he looked down into Tom's eager, me ter-night at ten, an' I'll read staring, longing eyes, he said simyer me notes."

Tom sauntered on, but when he was out of sight of the boys his mood changed. He was alert now. His eyes were fixed on the man whose frank comradeship had started within him that glow of admiration that was tingling through who yer vitin' inter yer house!" every nerve of his body.

On they went around corners, me. Come in." through alleys and streets, even

man went up the steps of a hand-"Hi, there! Give us er shy at some house—the door opened and shut.

Across the street, up and down. The man and the boy faced each patiently walked Tom, but whenever he turned, by some strange twist of his anatomy, one eye was always on that shining brass doorknob. It happened that just as Tom was passing the house the door opened.

Again the man and the boy stood face to face. There was, however. "Don't yer see the gentleman's no recognition on the man's part, so greatly had that one hour's pur-"Yer don't git er shiny hat like suit of his hero changed Tom's whole expression. But the divine Tom turned on the boys. His will that these two should meet ate with the living God" when the "Thank you," said the gentle- opportunity for service came. Abwatching his own plans for useful-"Well, good-by, fellers—I'm ness fall to naught, nevertheless, as ply and intuitively, as one speaks when the line of communication between his soul and his Master is not crossed by selfish purpose or by reason, "You wish to see me? Come

'Yep-no! Year don't know

"But I feel that you wish to see

Tom's earnestness carried him

gang they can't ketch."

Tom-do."

hisself!"

think the Lord must have sent you Tom?" in answer to my prayer."

"Tom, you say you're a leader." way meself."

"Yep, but I told yer w'at of." "Well, Tom, you're not only

them may always be a matter of they've done." choice. Did you hear, Tom?"

"Um," nodded Tom.

ness, Tom."

"Guess there's no sech place rest of your life." down our way."

"'twas my kids that broke yer lock path of righteousness. an' tore up yer books, an' took the "I promised ter read me notes cause they're yourn."

up the steps. "No foolin'! I'm "Do it! Ain't I their leader? I Tom the Terror -leader of that don't have no foolin' w'en I lead!"

"No, Tom-I'm sure of that. The man's face brightened. "A That's why I want you to work for leader, did you say? That's just me. I've been trying to find these what I'm longing for. Come in very boys for months, but without success. You already know them— "Let go me hand? Are yer deef? you acknowledge you're their lead-Some folks call me the very divil er. Now, instead of leading them into evil ways, lead them into the "Ah! I'm glad to meet you. I path of righteousness. Will you,

"Maybe I would if I knowed the

"Never mind what of. When taking the first step, but you're one has qualities that make him a leading the boys, too, when you leader of men, where he shall lead get them to repair the mischief

"Well I can't see no furder ahead'n that fust step, Gin'ral."

"The greatest need of the world "You'll learn the way as you today is leaders''—the man paused walk in it. Kneel here with me, -- "leaders in the path of righteous- Tom, while I tell my Master that you've come to serve him for the

Tom knelt. Perhaps he knelt "Two months ago, Tom, I start- simply because that friendly touch ed a mission school-down your on his shoulder was the dearest way. In spite of my love and work, thing in his life, but when he rose it's a failure. I've just come from from that brief act of consecration there. I'm utterly discouraged"-- he had caught his first glimpse of "Look-a-here," burst in Tom, the light that shineth along the

insides out of yer clock, an' stop- ter the kids ter-night, an' I will, ped yer music. But I'll tell yer but I'll read 'em a new kind of w'at I'll do-I'll set me kids ter notes, begorry," grinned Tom. work ter patch up yer books, an' "Now stop yer worryin' bout them I'll mend t'other things meself-' kids. 'Fore you know it, you'll see all five of 'em settin' in the "Ah, how kind of you! But the frontest row, listenin' ter yer talk boys—will they do it, Tom?" wid all the ears and mouths in their heads. An'-oh, Gin'ral, now I've -nearer'n' nearer! Right up to taken all ver troubles on me own the cannon's mouth!" She laughshoulders, can't yer let out some of ed delightedly at her own wit. But ver nice smiles a little, jus' a little?" the little fat black soldiers were

into the genial smile of comrade- never do to eat them as soon as ship that had won Tom's heart a this. few hours before.

notes. Good-by, Gin'ral."

turned. The boy of the street that thought she would eat one every needed this man and the man of day, but that seemed too often. She God that needed Tom looked for a decided upon one every other day. moment steadily into each other's Then one day, in a sudden hunger faces. In that glance of mutual for the little black things, she rehelpfulness the spiritual balance of solved to eat every one of them the world was struck.—Caroline F. that day—that morning—that hour! Needham, in S. S. Times.

A BEAUTIFUL FLAVOR.

By Annie Hamilton Donnell.

Four chocolates seemed so many! Cora arranged them in another row on the doorstep and counted them again. Four-there was no mistake. It seemed incomprehensible to Cora that four chocolates could have been thrown away in a paper bag. Two, perhaps, or even threebut four!

Cora wore a little woolly red tam o' shanter, a coat too small and shoes too big. But no one was happier than Cora, counting her chocolates on the doorstep. She had found the bag twisted and cast again, Barney; give him a good un aside on the sidewalk.

"Purtend they's soldiers marchin' toward the enemy," she played. Bones! Lick him again, Barney! "I'm him! They's comin'—comin' Go it, both on ye!"

The grave, quivering face broke quite safe vet awhile. It would

The four little chocolates went "That's it! Keep it a-goin' till back into the twisted bag and were I come back ter-morrow wid me carried about all day and slept with Cora in her hard little bed all night. "Good-by, Tom till tomorrow." She planned a great many plans At the foot of the steps Tom for eating them. At first she

"I'll walk round the square three times, waterin' my mouth, then the fourth time I'll eat 'em all.''

But there were still preliminaries. She pondered them as she walked around the squalid "square."

But things were to happen before Cora ate even the first precious little chocolate. She was to happen, on her first round of the square, upon Barney Grogan's lean old horse surrounded by a jeering circle of men and boys. The heavy cart was stuck hub-deep in the mud and Old Hundred refused to move it. or could not with his starved old muscles.

"That's it! That's it! Lick him this time!" jeered an onlooker. Others joined in derisively:

"Try it again, Old Skin-An'-

Cora's heart beat in great thumpred blood boiled up about her freck- with a third. les till they swam in it like little the side of the old horse.

him go-honest I will," cried Cora, and curses failed. resorting to pleading in her agony for Old Hundred.

A way had occurred to her to do it, but it was a hard way. Her little red face grew white at the thought of it. Could she, for Old Hundred? To her this little struggle was a very big one. She forgot the jeering, cheering boys and men -when Old Hundred groaned she forgot Barney and the little cat that red lips. was dead. She opened the paper bag and took out a chocolate. Hurrying ahead of the old horse she held it out.

"Come, come, come!" she coax-"It's good, Old Hundred. Pull awful hard an' come!"

It may have been the gentle little voice with pity in it and love, it may have been the chocolate held out temptingly—whichever it was the old horse gave a mighty heave of his beaten old frame. The wheels creaked but did not move forward.

"Splendid!" encouraged the little voice. "Here, you shall have this one to pay you. See how good it is—there, now try again for this one. Try again, Old Hundred!"

"Again! Please, again! Once more, Old Hundred!"

The men were cheering. Cora ing strokes. Her thin little face thrust the second chocolate under sharpened still more, and a sea of the great nose and darted forward

The third time the wheels rebrown islands. She clinched her volved. With a mighty effort, Old fingers about the twisted paper bag. Hundred, every muscle strained, With sudden leaps she sprang to pulled the cart out of the mudhole, and the third chocolate was his. "Barney, you stop an' I'll make Cora had succeeded where blows

> A little later, back on her own doorstep, Cora sat taking dainty nibbles of the last-of-all chocolate. She took very tiny, long, enjoying ones. It was a beautiful chocolate drop. Cora thought it had a fine flavor, but she did not know it was flavored with the joy of doing a good deed. It was a very little chocolate—all that was left of four. But the child on the doorstep ate the last crumb with a smack of little

'It was the best choc'late!'' she

said. - Congregationalist.

STRONG WORDS BUT TRUE.

In introducing Messrs. Schauffler, Price, Pleoubet, Lawrance, Heinz, Warren and Hartshorn to the Reception of Rome Delegates at Boston, last April, the chairman, Hon. Samuel B. Capen, LL. D., said:

"These gentlemen are leaders, and they are giving time and thought and labor, without stint or compensation, in preparing the Sunday-school litterature which we need and the lessons which we study, by hundreds of millions of pages in circulation all over the world. Blot out the work which these gentlemen are doing, and what has been done during the past twenty-five years, and you would have put back the coming of the kingdom by a century."

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

E. W. THWING, Superintendent.

A BOA I JOURNEY IN SOUTH CHINA.

ran on a flat rock in the river and our boat before it was quite dark, had to wait five hours for high which we had the good fortune to ing we stopped at Chan Tsun and I concluded to be more careful anhad my first experience in selling other time. bibles. It was quite interesting At Gong Moon we met A. S., work. We next entered the silk who was very happy to see me district, where thousands are en- again, and invited us to his home gaged rearing the silkworm. Along at Peng Leong, about ten miles the shores are extensive mulberry away, in the country. So mother plantations. On the leaves of the took a sedan chair, the only mode shrub the silkworm feeds.

H. and I landed and walked along through the streets of Gong Moon, the shore to sell bibles, intending and watched us with wondering to keep the boat in sight. We gave eves as we passed over the fields the boatmen no directions as to into the country. There are no fine where they should stop for us. We roads, only a raised path, a foot got so interested in our work when wide, between the fields. Many we got into the town that we forgot strange and curious sights met our all about the boat. The time went eyes as we trudged along; the queer by faster than we thought, and soon plowing in the fields, the little huts it was evening. We looked for our made of fan palms, hillsides coverboat, but no boat was to be seen. ed with horseshoe shaped tombs, a We had missed it and saw that it procession of gaily dressed people Feeling anxious we hurried along, sound of clanging musical instruhave seen us, two foreigners, scud-tracted our attention.

ding along the dark narrow streets of that Chinese town, dogs barking We began our voyage on Pearl at our heels and small boys shout-River southward. Our boat had ing after us. The natives looked two bed-rooms, a kitchen and din- out of their doors in astonishment ing room. The latter had eight at us, wondering why these "forwindows and made a pleasant sit- eigners", were going through their ting room. There were twelve of streets at such a rate; but we did us, including captain, cook and six not stop to offer apology or explanboatmen. The first afternoon we ation. We only desired to get to water to float off. The next morn- accomplish, much to our relief. We

of travel overland, he and I walked At the village of Wong Sing Mr. behind. Crowds followed us would be difficult to find it again. marching to temple worship to the It would have made you laugh to ments, and other novel sights at-

walking between the hills and having four rooms, though built of mountains, we reached the village, mud and mortar. had never seen foreigners before, spread. out my notebook to write, they paint. writing.

walls were mud, stones and mortar. from America. The broad entrance is open all the time, except at night.

After sitting awhile and interesting the crowd of aborigines, A. S. took us through the town to a new parts of South China. house he was building. We were followed by a great number, young and old, some running ahead to get a better view of our faces, as we passed along the narrow, winding Rev. L. F. Jones, who was a fel-

After two or three hours' brisk new house is better than the old,

completely hidden by the hills from Supper was served by A. S. I the plains below. It has about 2,000 wish you could have seen us seatpopulation. Our entry created a ed with his family around the little great sensation, as many probably low stand on which our meal was

They pressed about us and seemed
It was a picture! Grouped about greatly pleased at the strange sight. us we could see in the dim shadows Two rude bamboo chairs were of night the outlines of the crowd found for us to sit in. Then the without that could not be induced natives poured in and soon filled to leave. A saucer of oil fed a burnthe place, some climbing a ladder ing wick, and this just served to to look over the heads of others. make darkness visible. It gave our They inspected our hats, shoes, faces a fire-light hue that Culverbuttons and clothing. As I drew house would have delighted to

stared over my shoulder to see the A.S. asked a blessing on the strange characters and method of humble repast, a strange act in a heathen village. Each of us ate Ordinary houses have two rooms with chop sticks, orthodox fashion, to 'shelter the household, both helping ourselves from one common higher and lower animals in com- dish. After supper was over we mon. This was one of the best conversed awhile, and then all reand had three rooms. The room tired for the night. It was a great in which we were, was about as joy to stop in this little village far large as a small parlor; the sitting in the interior and see the influence room, dining room, store room, all for good of just a few Christian in one. The floor was clay. The men who had come back to China

> The Sunday School work among the Chinese in America and Hawaii has done much to make little centers of Christian light in many

> > E. W. T.

A CHRISTMAS IN ALASKA.

alleys, four or five feet across, low student with Mr. Thwing at paved with irregular stones. The Princeton, and is now a Missionary

our mail reaky for the Dolphin are not entirely self-centered, alwhich is groping her way down the though it guards its own with jealdark and stormy channel. Our In- ous care. It has the true missiondians arranged all their own Christ- ary spirit and supports its own mas entertainment. An Indian worker in China. They received a drilled the brass band and trained letter last month in regard to the the choir, they put up the decora- work of their missionary, and extions,—did everything,—and we pect soon to send on the money for had a splendid entertainment." his support for the coming year.

IAN CHURCHES.

A missionary writes from China: "After the Boxer infatuation has passed, when indemnities were being paid over, some of the villages turned over land and temples to our mission, having no more use for the helpless idols. In one such village we own six temples, and in one of these one room is used for a chapel and another for a boys' school. In this village a daily evening prayer meeting is held, with an attendance of from thirty to forty men and boys. In another village a little over a mile from there a new chapel was dedicated in October and the Christians from these two and other nearby villages meet on alternate Sundays in this chapel that was once an idol temple.''

A CHINESE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

The Fort Street Sunday School is one of the live Christian organizations of Honolulu. Its life is shown in its activity, for its officers, happy are ye if ye do them. -Our Young believing that activity is the great Folks.

in Alaska, writes from Juneau of preservative of life, have planned his last Christmas entertainment: special fields for action for each "A blizzard is raging. We got member. The interests of the school

IDOL TEMPLES BECOMING CHRIST- A SUPERINTENDENT'S POINTS OF EXCELLENCE.

Patient: With his teachers and their shortcomings. With his scholars and their waywardness. With the parents and their lack of interest.

Persistent: Never showing discouragement. Never scolding but always "up and at it," determined to succeed.

Prompt: This means a few minutes early, in time to greet teachers and scholars as they arrive. Begin promptly; close on time.

Planning: Every day for the improvement of his school in every possible way.

Progressive: Thinking out new plans, and as ready to adopt approved ones from brother superintendents.

Pleasant: How much this means! and how many "rays of sunshine" have been carried to cheerless homes by the pleasant superintendent'or teacher.

Polite: True politeness to scholars on the street and in the school will make your work easier. Politeness will act as a lubricator.

Pushing: Never let your school get ahead of you. Keep always in the lead, then say: Come, and be sure they do

Prayer: Daily for his pastor, his teachers and his scholars. Big prayers, then working to answer your own prayers.

Practical: If ye know these things,

BIBLE STUDY DEPARTMENT.

International Sunday School Lessons.

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Jan. 5—The Word Made Flesh Jan. 12—Jesus and John the Baptist. Jan. 19—Jesus and His First Dis-	John 1: 1-18 John 1:19-34
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Mar. 1—Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand	John 5: 1-48 John 6: 1-21
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Blind	John 9
Mar.29—Temperance Lesson	Prov.23:29-25

John 1:1-19. Jan. 5.

The Word Made Flesh.

Golden Text-The word was made flesh and dwelt among us .- John 1:14.

Central Thought-Jesus Christ, the Supreme Revelation of God.

Lesson Truths-(1) Christ's life alone is the light of men living in the darkness of sin. (2) Christ came unto His own, His own world, and His own children: they received Him not. Have we a welcome for Him? (3) The law was given by Moses, but grace-undeserved love-and truth-"the expression of the thought of God''-came through Jesus Christ.

* DAILY READINGS AND TOPICS.

Dec. 30-John 1:1-18. The Word Made Flesh. Dec. 30-John 1:1-18. The Word Made Fles Dec. 31-Isa. 11:1-10. Isaiah's Prophecy. Jan. 1-Heb. 2:9-18. Taking Our Nature. Jan. 2-Phil. 2:1-11. Christ's Humility. Jan. 3-1 John 1. The Word of Life. Jan. 4-John 8:12-20. Light of the World. Jan. 5-John 17:1-11. One with God.

* From the International Bible Reading Association I. B. R. A.

Lesson II. John 1:19-34. Jan. 12. Jesus and John the Baptist.

Golden Text-Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1:29.

Time: A. D. 27. Place: Betharaba.

Central Thought-Much of the world is dying today for lack of John's vision-"Behold the Lamb of God."

Lesson Truths—(1) John became a mere voice that his Master might increase. (2) That voice did what we can do: sink self and call men to God. (3) John had learned how to renounce and not be embittered. (4) People often see only what they look for. John beheld the great sacrifice.

DAILY READINGS AND TOPICS

M. Jan. 6-John 1:19-34. Jesus and John the

The Voice. Jan. 7-Isa. 40:1-10. W. Jan. 8-Matt. 11:7-15. Christ's Witness to

John. Jan. 9-Mark 1:1-11. The Witness from

Heaven.

Jan. 10-Matt. 17:1-13. The Beloved Son.

Jan. 11-John 3:33-36. Believing and Life. Jan. 12-1 Peter 1:13-21. Redeemed by Blood.

Lesson III. John 1:35-51. Jan. 19.

Jesus and His First Disciples.

Golden Text-We have found Him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth.

Time: Feb. A. D. 27. Place: Betharaba. Central Thought-Jesus won men that these men might in turn, win others to know him.

Lesson Truths—(1) Having heard Jesus speak, the two disciples followed Him. (2) Men want to see before they come; Jesus says: "Come and see." (3) Andrew little realized the value of his catch: Peter the Rock. (3) Personal work begins in our own homes. Have we any dear ones out of Christ? (5) There is no work in all the Kingdom to compare with "Fishing for men."

DAILY READINGS AND TOPICS.

- M. Jan. 13-John 1:35-51. Jesus and His First Disciples.
- Jan. 14-Matt. 4:12-22. Jan. 15-Matt. 9:1-13 The Second Call. W. The Call of Matthew. T.
- Jan. 16-Luke 9:18-26. True Disciples.
 Jan. 17-John 15:1-16. Chosen to Service.
 Jan. 18-John 12:12-26. Serving and following.

Jan. 19-Matt. 19:23-30. Reward of Service.

Lesson IV. John 2:13-22. Jan. 26.

Jesus Cleanses the Temple.

Golden Text--Holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, forever.-Ps. 93:5.

Time: April A. D. 27. Place: Jernsalem. Central Thought-Those who join the Church for any other purpose than for worshipping Him in spirit and in truth, make the Father's house a house of merchandise.

Lesson Truths: (1) God cannot live in an unclean house-or heart. (2) There is great need that the lesson of reverence for God, and for parents be learned anew today. (3) Do not mistake bad temper for righteous indignation. (4) In the face of wrong, the Christian must rebuke sin.

DAILY READINGS AND TOPICS.

Jan 20-John 2:13-22. Jesus Cleanses the

Templa.

T. Jan. 21-Mark II:11-19 Another Cleansing.
W. Jan. 22-2 Chron. 29:1-11, 15-19 Hezekiah's
Good Deed.
T. Jan. 23-2 Chron. 34:1-11. Josiah Cleanses the

Temple

Jan. 24-2 Chron. 6;12-21 The House of Prayer. Jan. 25-Psalm 84. Longing for God's House. Jan. 26-Rev. 21;22-27. No Defilement.

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Down from the heights of manhood, To the depths of disgrace and sin; Down to the worthless being, [been, From the hopes of what might have For the brand of a drunkard besotted, He bartered his manhood's crown: Through the gate of a sinful pleasure My poor, weak boy went down.

'Tis only the same old story That mothers so often tell With accents of infinite sadness. Like the tones of a funeral bell; But I never thought once when I heard it, I should learn all its meaning myself; I thought he'd be true to his mother, I thought he'd be true to himself.

But alas for my hopes, all delusion! Alas for his youthful pride! Alas! who are safe when such danger Is open on every side? Oh! can nothing destroy this great evil? No help in their pathway be thrown, To save from the terrible maelstrom The thousands of boys going down?

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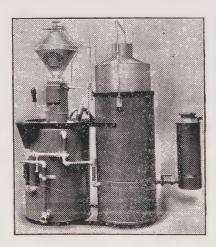
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